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TO AMEMBASSY MANAGUA

AMEMBASSY TEGUCIGALPA

AMEMBASSY GUATEMALA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, XK

SUBJECT: VISIT OF FEDERAL RESERVE OFFICERS

1. TWO OFFICERS FROM THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF ATLANTA, MR. BAER AND MR. KANTNER, HAVE MADE ARRANGEMENTS TO VISIT WITH CENTRAL BANK OFFICIALS IN YOUR HOST COUNTRY DURING LATE SEPTEMBER. THEY ALSO PLAN TO VISIT WITH BANK SUPER-INTENDENTS AND OTHER PUBLIC AND PRIVATE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS. THE PURPOSE OF THE VISIT IS TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE HOST COUNTRY'S BANKING AND FINANCIAL STRUCTURE, THE ROLE OF THE CENTRAL BANK AND TO EXCHANGE VIEWS ON MONETARY POLICY. THE VISITS ARE AMONG TWENTY-TWO PLANNED VISITS TO LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF OBTAINING BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND STRENGTHENING COMMUNICATIONS WITH CENTRAL BANKS.

2. MR. BAER AND MR. KANTNER WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL OFFICER AT EMBASSY COULD MEET WITH THEM FOR A SHORT BRIEFING. THE FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS WOULD BE MOST CONVENIENT FOR THEM:

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MANAGUA - SEPT. 23 - 9:00-10:15 A.M.

TEGUCIGALPA - SEPT. 27 - 9:00-10:15 A.M.

GUATEMALA - SEPT. 29 - 3:30-5:00 P.M.

3. IF POSSIBLE THE OFFICERS WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE IT IF  
EMBASSY WOULD MEET THE ARRIVAL PLANE TO FACILITATE ENTRY  
INTO THE COUNTRY. THE ARRIVAL PLANS ARE SCHEDULED:

ARRIVE MANAGUA, 8:00 A.M. ON TACA FLIGHT 310

ARRIVE TEGUCIGALPA, 7:30 A.M. ON SAHSA FLIGHT 414

ARRIVE GUATEMALA CITY, 11:45 A.M. ON SAHSA FLIGHT 952

4. REQUEST EMBASSY REACTION TO PROPOSED VISIT AND REPLY  
WHETHER IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO MEET ARRIVAL FLIGHT AND  
ARRANGE MEETING WITH ECONOMIC/COMMERICAL OFFICER. THANK  
YOU FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE. ROBINSON

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